EXPENDITURES FOR CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

The reports listed below, pertaining to Federal Fiscal Year 2005, October 1, 2004, through September 30, 2005, are included in this section:

1)   CFS-101, Part I: Annual Budget Request for Title IV-B Funds, Subpart 1, Child Welfare Services, Subpart 2, Promoting Safe and Stable Families, Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) State Plan; Chafee Foster Care Independence Living Program and the Education and Training Vouchers Program

2)   CFS-101, Part II: Annual Summary of Child and Family Services

Missouri has made a strong commitment to supporting prevention of child abuse/neglect and early intervention through its Missouri Community Partnerships Reform Initiative, a vehicle for direct provision of community-based family support and family preservation services. Additionally, Missouri has established and maintained several family reunification efforts. One such effort is the Family Reunion Services (FRS) Program, providing intensive, time-limited, family reunification services to children and their families. Another effort has been the creation of the Family Support Team (FST) for families that have experienced the out-of-home placement of children. The FST makes use of family and community resources, enabling the direct involvement of the community to accomplish timely family reunification. The FST provides not only for the purchase of necessary family services but also secures in-kind informal resources that often endure far longer for families than purchased services.   In so doing, there is less reliance on formal systems and more of a sharing of responsibility for families and children with appropriate local informal community resources.

Missouri exhausts the Title IV-B monies within the four services areas of Family Preservation, Time-Limited Family Reunification, Family Support, and Adoption Promotion and Support. Therefore, the planning efforts and administration costs for promoting safe and stable families are funded from Missouri's state revenue funds.